

Room Eight Tidbits

December 7, 2015

Weekly Objectives

Action Points:

- December 9 is an Early Dismissal Day. I will be available in the afternoon for conferences. Please let me know if you would like to meet.

First Grade Families,

Please continue to reinforce prior English Language Arts objectives such as correct spelling of short vowel words and correct use of capitalization and punctuation in sentences.

Weekly Objectives are:

- Reading/Language Arts — Sounds of Y—y as a consonant (yellow), y as long e (puppy) and y as long i (fly)

Contractions with will and am

Genre—Poetry

- Math — Unit 4— Time to the hour, half hour and quarter hour

Timelines

Addition Facts and Turn-around Facts, Place Value using 100 Chart and Base 10 Blocks

- Science — Earth Materials—Students will observe and compare the components of soil and describe how they are used. The four primary components of soil are clay, rocks (pebbles and gravel), sand and humus (organic material).

- Social Studies — IIM Research Project on Holidays and Celebrations

Landforms— Students will identify landforms such as plains, hills and mountains. We will also learn about map keys and how to represent landforms on a map.

Looking forward to a great week!

Ms. Cotton

Dates to Remember:

Early Dismissal at 12:30 PM	12/9
Fall Picture Retakes	12/15
Field Trip to Interactive Theater	12/16
Winter Classroom Celebrations	12/18
Winter Break— NO SCHOOL	12/19 - 1/4
1st Day of School for Students	1/5



IIM Holiday Research Project

We will begin our first IIM Research project of the year this week on Holidays and Celebrations around the world. This is integrated with Kolter's Global Passport program and our Social Studies curriculum. Our theme is Festivals of Light.

All 1st Grade students will be working together to complete this project. Each homeroom class was randomly divided into 5 groups. Each group will be working with one of the 1st grade teachers to research Kwanzaa, Hanukkah, Christmas, Diwali or Chinese New Year. At the end of our research project, students will present their holiday to our class.